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Honorable Peter King
House of Representatives
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Dear Congressman King:

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nekola of North Massapequa, New York. Your constituents object to rate increases by their local cable television operator.

The Commission has a clear understanding that Congress adopted the Cable Act of 1992 to constrain unreasonable cable rates. The Commission is in the process of formulating rules implementing the rate provisions of the law and is seeking public comment on those provisions that address rate rollbacks, refunds, and evasions of statutory requirements. The Commission will attempt to implement these provisions faithfully, and will consider the conduct of the cable industry during the interim period in deciding what kind of regulation is needed.

Your constituents' letter will be placed in the record of this proceeding so that the Commission can be mindful of their concerns during its deliberations. I trust that the foregoing and the enclosures are informative.

Sincerely,

Roy J. Stewart

Chief, Mass Media Bureau

Enclosures

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Congress of the United States Washington, D.C. March 5 , 1993. Sir/Madam: The attached communication is sent for your consideration. Please investigate the statements contained therein and forward me the necessary information for reply, returning the enclosed correspondence with your answer. Yours truly,

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Dear Representative King: Feb. 13, 1993 We just received a notice that our cable TV monthly cost from Cablevision will increase from 33.90 to 36.00 an increase of 2.10 or 6.1% (more than 21/2 times the inflation rate) in March i 1993, for the service we are now receiving. We feel this increase is unwarranted as no improvements have been made in the service and the costs are high enough already. We thought a law was passed last year by Congress to regulate and control rates of TV cable